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AUTOMATIC EXTRACTION OF LOAD-  
BEARING REGIONS OF THE CARTILAGE  
AND MEASUREMENT OF BIOMARKERS

**STATUS INQUIRY**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that Applicant's attorney be advised of the current status of the above-identified application as well as the anticipated date of action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Respectfully Submitted,



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